

## **PRESS RELEASE**

It has come to our attention through the People Daily Newspaper of 5/4/2014 of a developer who wants to develop a multi-storey commercial enterprise in Karura

The Green Belt Movement wants to express our concern and alarm at such a development, and wish to reiterate our long time commitment to the conservation of Karura as a jewel of this city (being the second largest urban forest in the world). As Trustee of Friends of Karura forest the Green Belt Movement commends the action taken by Friends of Karura to be enjoined in the suit which is now in court.

The history of Prof Wangari Maathai and the Green Belt Movement's leadership in preserving Karura forest speaks for itself.

Green Belt Movement stands committed to that cause and will seek to be enjoined in the suit already in the court. We hope that the developer will appreciate an obligation to public interest and consider alternatives.

We call on our good Government to remain committed to the protection & conservation of our forests & our national heritage.

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